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Westminster, December 9.

HER Majesty came this Day to the House of Peers; and being in Her Royal Robes seated on the Throne, with the usual Solemnity, Mr. *Aston*, Deputy Gentleman-Usher of the Black Rod, was sent with a Message from Her Majesty to the House of Commons, requiring their Attendance in the House of Peers. The Commons being come thither accordingly, Her Majesty was pleased to give the Royal Assent to

An Act for granting an Aid to Her Majesty by a Land-Tax, to be raised in the Year One thousand seven hundred and five.

And to Three Private Bills.

And Her Majesty afterwards made a most Gracious Speech to both Houses, which follows:

My Lords and Gentlemen,

I Am Glad of this Occasion, to Return you My hearty Thanks, for your Making good the Assurances you gave Me in your several Addresses, of your Zeal and Readiness to Promote the Publick Business.

And I must Thank you, Gentlemen of the House of Commons, *in particular, for your Early Dispatch of so great a Part of the Necessary Supplies, which cannot fail of being a very Essential Advantage, both in the Forwardness of Our own Preparations, and in the great Encouragement it will give to all Our Allies.*

My Lords and Gentlemen,

I look upon this good Beginning to be so sure a Pledge of your Affections for My Service, and for our Common Interest, that I have not the least Doubt, but you will Continue with the same Zeal, to Dispatch what remains of the Publick Business, and to Bring this Session to a Happy and Speedy Conclusion.

St. James's, Dec. 9. The following Address from the County of *Brecon* was presented by *John Jeffreys* Esq; Representative in Parliament of the said County.

To the QUEEN's most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the Deputy-Lieutenants, Justices of the Peace, Gentlemen, and others the Freeholders, of the County of *Brecon.*

ALlow us, most Gracious Sovereign, thankfully to acknowledge the Blessings we enjoy under Your Auspicious Reign, and to congratulate the happy Successes of the English Fleet, under the wise Conduct of Sir George Rooke; and the yet more Glorious Exploits of the English Troops, led on to Conquest by the Great Captain of the Age, John Duke of Marlborough.

The Battels fought, and the Victories obtained at Donawert and Blenheim, are in themselves and Consequences so vastly great, that they neither need, nor can receive, any Encrease of Honour from the most advantagious Representation. By one March, to defeat the most hopeful Designs of a Mighty, Politick and Watchful Monarch, and to break all his Measures; to overthrow and destroy the Gallantry of France, and the Pride of its numerous Armies; to rescue distressed Nations from oppressing Tyranny; and restore a sinking Empire; was but a part of one Summer's Expedition, under Your Majesty's Influence and Direction.

We thought it a necessary piece of Justice to these Great Men, to bear witness to their great Merit; and our Duty to Your Sacred Majesty and his Royal Highness, to acknowledge and admire Your Princely Wisdom, in making choice of Persons of such distinguishing Abilities to command Your Armies and Fleets.

We do likewise (with all possible Respects and Deference) beg Leave to express our entire Satisfaction, as well in the good Management of the Publick Revenues, as in the rest of the Ministry; whose wise Councils give Birth to Glorious Actions, and our Commanders abroad do, for the more part, but bravely, execute what was wisely contrived at home.

Our Joy then, Great Madam, and our Acknowleagements, are not in part, the whole Administration under Your Majesty pleases, and wou'd kind Heaven hear our Prayers, we should be well contented with it all our days.

Your Majesty's great Piety and Charity, Your Compassion for the poorer Clergy of the Established Church, and Your Royal Bounty to them and their Successors for ever, give us reason to hope, that we shall be heard and answered when we pray, That God wou'd honour Her who delights to honour Him; that he would lengthen out Her Days, and still prosper Her Government; that He would unite the Hearts of Her Subjects, and strengthen their Arms, to the Relief of their Protestant Brethren, of Princes and States, that groan under the Miseries either of an enterprizing Ambition, or a necay Conqueror.

The Two following Addresses from the Towns of *Pembroke* and *Tenby* were presented to Her Majesty by *John Meyrick* Esq; their Representative in Parliament.

To the QUEEN's most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the Mayor, Bayliffs, Burgesses, and Principal Inhabitants, of Your Majesty's ancient Borough of *Pembroke.*

TO our eagar and lasting Transports of Joy for the Glorious Success of Your Majesty's Arms, by Land and Sea, it hath been wholly owing that we so late approach Your Majesty's Sacred Throne.

Delighted by the Noble Scene laid before us, we have been hurried on so far to consider the Blessings already enjoyed by us, and those in a near view, that we had almost forgot to adore that Hand which conveyed them to us.

Blessings dispensed by Heaven at once to reward and encourage Your Majesty's exemplary Piety, great Bounty, and firm Adherence to the Church of England: Blessings so diffusive, that the greatest Part of Europe shares in them: Blessings proauctive of new ones, which do not only please in the Fruition, but also in the Expectation they give us of greater Consequent of them.

We adore Your Majesty's shining and unparallel'd Virtues, and rejoyce in the happy Effects of them. We rejoyce in seeing Your Majesty Protector of the Liberties of Europe; great above Example, good beyond Imitation.

We rejoyce in Your Majesty's gracious and wise Administration, so regular in all its Parts, that we enjoy the full benefit of the best Constitution in the World.

To conclude all; from so wise, good and gracious a Sovereign, from Councils so well concerted, brave Armies and Fleets so well conducted, from publick Funds so chearfully supplied by Your Loyal Commons, and so readily contributed to by Your Faithful People, so wisely managed at home, and so judiciously employed abroad; we may reasonably hope in a short time to have our Joy compleat in a firm and lasting Peace; and to have a long Continuance of it in a prosperous Reign of Your Majesty over us, Your Majesty's most Loyal and Dutiful Subjects.

WE Your Majesty's most Loyal and Dutiful Subjects, the Mayor, Aldermen, Burgesses, and other the Inhabitants, of Your Majesty's ancient Corporation of Tenby, humbly beg Leave to congratulate Your Sacred Majesty on the late Victory obtained by Your Majesty's Arms, and these of Your Allies, against the French and Bavarians, under the brave and wise Conduct of his Grace the Duke of Marlborough.

A Victory that has not only supported a tottering Empire, but frustrated the Ambitious Designs of France; and convinced that Haughty Monarch, That his Subjects do but flatter him when they stile him Invincible.

France may now see, That the English Valour, which in former times she has so severely felt, can again rouse and exert it self with Vigour, when the Protestant Religion and the Liberty of Europe are in Danger.

May Divine Providence (that has hitherto blessed Your Majesty's Reign, and has carried Your Conquests into Foreign Nations, beyond those of Your Royal Ancestors) crown all Your Enterprizes with Success, until an honourable and lasting Peace be the Issue and Effect of Your Victories.

The following Address from the Borough of *Grantham* was presented to Her Majesty by the Rt. Hon. the Marquis of *Grainbee*; introduced by the most Honourable the Lord High Treasurer.

To the QUEEN's most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the Alderman, Recorder, Deputy-Recorder, Gentlemen, Freemen, and Inhabitants of the Corporation of *Grantham*, in the County of *Lincoln.*

WE Your Majesty's most Faithful and Obedient Subjects, humbly beg Leave to approach Your Royal Presence, to congratulate Your Majesty upon the most Glorious Victory obtained by the powerful Arms of Your Majesty and Your Allies, under the wise and valiant Conduct of his Grace the Duke of Marlborough: By which Victory the whole Empire is redeemed from the Exorbitant Power of France; and instead of defending their own, enabled to invade the Territories of the Common Enemy.

That the God of Heaven, by whom Princes reign, may continue to add to Your Glorious Successes, and to preserve Your Majesty with long Life; and that You may be the happy Instrument of a Glorious and Lasting Peace, not only to Your own Nation, but to all Europe; are the unfeigned and fervent Prayers of Your Majesty's most Dutiful and Obedient Subjects and Servants.

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